

Remarks

The application currently stands restricted to one of Species 1 of Figures 1-8 and 12, Species 2 of Figure 9, Species 3 of Figure 10, Species 4 of Figure 11, Species 5 of Figures 13-16 and Species 6 of Figure 7. The Examiner contends that, currently, none of the claims is generic.

The Examiner has deemed claims 1-6, 10-14, 17-23, 27-31 and 34 correspond to Species 1, claims 7 and 24 correspond to Species 2, claims 8, 15, 25 and 32 correspond to Species 3, claims 9, 16, 26 and 33 correspond to Species 5, and claims 35-37 correspond to Species 6. The Examiner did not identify any claims corresponding to Species 4.

In response to this restriction, Applicant elects Species 1 of Figures 1-8 and 12 for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-6, 10-14, 17-23, 27-31 and 34 are readable upon Species 1 of Figures 1-8 and 12. Claims 7-9, 15, 16, 24-26, 32, 33 and 35-37 are deemed withdrawn as these claims are readable upon one or more of the non-elected Species 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 2, 3, 11-14, 18-20 and 28-31 are generic to all of Species 1-6. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic independent claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species that are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claim.

Although no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys PLLC for any fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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